

Brendan first joined UPS in 1981, loading trucks while earning his degree at Villanova University. Since that time, he has worked his way up through leadership of the company here in America and abroad, becoming a trusted leader and working in numerous positions around the world to help expand UPS's operations and meet the challenges of an always changing global economy. No matter the assignment, Brendan Canavan answered the call.

On behalf of the people of Kentucky's Third Congressional District, I congratulate Brendan Canavan on his successful career at UPS and wish him the very best in his much-deserved retirement.

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#### HONORING OWAMNI

### HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Owamni, its visionary founder Sean Sherman, the Sioux Chef, and co-owner Dana Thompson. Through years of extensive studies and direct engagement with Tribal communities, Mr. Sherman and Ms. Thompson have become two of the nation's foremost Indigenous food scholars. Their tireless drive to learn and share our region's culinary history has breathed new life into indigenous cooking—a history that had been stolen through generations of oppression and forced assimilation. Their unparalleled scholarship and advocacy in the food sovereignty movement has led their inaugural restaurant, Owamni, to be nominated for the prestigious James Beard Award for Best New Restaurant. I am so proud to represent Owamni—and the mission it represents—in Congress.

Owamni's decolonized dining experience is more than just spectacular food—it is a reclaiming of who and what Minnesota was for thousands of years before it was given this Anglicized name. It is a deeply thoughtful remembrance of Mni Sota down to the name Owamni, which derives from the Dakota name for the swirling waters at the base of what European settlers named St. Anthony Falls. Owamni is a celebration of what is native to this home: the plants, the animals, and culture that is our beloved State in the deepest sense.

As we reexamine the story settlers have told about Minnesota, Owamni serves as an example of what we gain by telling the truth about this land and its people, both past and present. I am grateful that the James Beard Foundation has named Owamni one of the country's Best New Restaurants, and I look forward to the continued success of Mr. Sherman, Ms. Thompson, and Owamni.

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#### FAREWELL REMARKS TO THE 117TH CONGRESS

### HON. ANTONIO DELGADO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. DELGADO. Madam Speaker, as I rise today for the last time as a Member of the 117th Congress, I must begin by thanking the

people of New York's 19th Congressional District.

I thank them for trusting me to represent them in Washington. I thank them for every phone call they have placed to my office. I thank them for the hundreds of thousands of letters and emails they have sent to me. I thank them for coming to my town halls, and for scheduling meetings with me and my staff. Democracy is a two-way street, and their passionate engagement has helped me to be a more effective Representative.

I would also like to thank Lacey, my wife, and the love of my life, who has sacrificed so much since I decided to run for Congress more than four years ago. I want to thank Maxwell and Coltrane, my two sons, who drive my desire for positive change day in and day out.

I first addressed this Chamber in January of 2019. The longest government shutdown in our Nation's history had just ended, and I spoke about the need for Congress to live up to its charter as outlined in Article I. I said that Democrats and Republicans must work together to shoulder the sacred responsibilities entrusted to us by voters—and that we all must pledge to cast partisanship aside and be good stewards of the republic that we inherited from the generations that came before us.

Congress has done important work in the years since I gave that speech. We passed a once-in-a-generation investment in our Nation's infrastructure; we outlawed surprise medical billing; we delivered pandemic relief that helped America recover better economically than any of its peer nations. All in all, 18 of my bills were signed into law under two presidents—bills to provide emergency pandemic funding to municipalities of all sizes, to support underserved veterans, to provide loan forgiveness to small businesses and to protect family farms. I am proud of this record.

Over the past few years, I have tried to build a brand of politics that puts people before partisanship. I have made decisions based not on whether an idea comes from the right or left, but whether that idea is right or wrong. I fought tirelessly for those I represent; I listened to others before speaking; and I treated all people with love and respect.

Building a political movement based on love, respect, and humility will be the work I carry on in the years to come. The Capitol—this Chamber—is hallowed ground. I hope and pray that Congress will once again become a place where Representatives from every corner of this great country gather together not to emphasize their differences and use them for political gain, but to hash those differences out for the good of the people.

Representing New York's 19th District in Congress has been the greatest honor. But I have not done it alone and I want to acknowledge the incredible team that has made it all possible.

Several members of my team have been with me since day one.

My Chief of Staff, Jessie Andrews, is at the heart of my legislative success and has served our team as a sound and trusted leader.

Amanda DeSantis, my District Director, has logged tens of thousands of miles traversing NY-19 with me and on my behalf and shares my love of New York State and every corner of the district.

My Legislative Assistant, Matthew Gerson, with his intellectual curiosity and commitment

to the veterans and small businesses in NY-19.

Vicky Perry has spearheaded my in-district programming—from Military Service Academy nominations to the Congressional Art Competition to our "Antonio's Summer Superstars" reading program.

Many others have joined along the way and brought immense value to the work.

My incredibly talented Legislative Director, Robert Dougherty. Christine Bienes, the best Scheduler in Congress. Jacob Salzmänn, who accompanied me to countless events across the district. And the rest of my team in Washington and in-district for all their tireless work on behalf of my NY-19 constituents: Gabriela Foster, Sarah Bibeau, Max Prime, Chris Hanse, Daniel Wrenn, Natalie Lincoln, and Marques Grimes.

Madam Speaker, it is with a hopeful heart that I close out my time in Congress. I thank the residents of upstate New York for their love and support and to all who have been on this journey with me.

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#### HONORING ARMY VETERAN EDWARD A. FONTAINE

### HON. MATTHEW M. ROSENDALE, SR.

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. ROSENDALE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Army veteran, Mr. Edward A. Fontaine, from Montana for being awarded the Bronze Star Medal with 'V' device.

The Bronze Star Medal with 'V' device is awarded for distinguished acts of valor and heroism in active Federal military service. While serving in Company A, 2D Battalion, 502D Airborne Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division in the Republic of Vietnam, Specialist Four Fontaine demonstrated exceptional bravery and valorous action in combat as a machine gunner.

On October 7, 1967, when a portion of the Company defensive perimeter was attacked at night, he responded immediately. Courageously running into enemy fire aimed at the crew, Specialist Four Fontaine opened fire with a M-60 machine gun at only 20 meters away from the enemy, which helped turn the momentum of the battle.

Not only did Mr. Fontaine's conduct play a major part in securing victory against enemy forces, but it also contributed to saving countless lives of his comrades. Mr. Fontaine's valorous actions are a credit to him, Army Command, and the United States Armed Forces.

I congratulate Edward on receiving this noble achievement, and thank him for his service to our country.

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#### IN HONOR OF MR. WINDELL CUROLE

### HON. GARRET GRAVES

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 20, 2022*

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today in order to share a story of Cajun ingenuity and recognize a man who went beyond the call of duty for his community.